

JEALOUS OF STEPSON, PAUL KILLS WIFE AND THEN SELF, LITTLE BOY ESCAPES.

Fleeing for Safety as He Hears Wild
Scream, Then Crash, as Re-
volver Ends Grief.

Before the eyes of her eight-year-old son, Leslie Eubank, who was born in her first marriage, Allen B. Paul, of 202 North Meadow Street, shot and killed his wife at 5:15 o'clock yesterday morning, and then retired to his room and put a bullet hole in the middle of his forehead, directly between the eyes, dying instantly.

The murder and suicide followed an all night quarrel, according to the clear story told by the little boy, in whose room his mother was twice shot. Mrs. Paul arose before 5 o'clock and went downstairs to the kitchen to prepare the bread she had made up the night before for cooking. It was found afterwards ready to go into the stove.

FIRST THOUGHT FOR CHILD.

She returned to her room, where her husband was still lying in bed. Then she went into Leslie's room and found the little fellow dressed and with his light burning. He had not slept a wink during the whole night, and had kept his clothes on because he was afraid that something would happen and he would have to flee for his life. There was a noise in the adjoining room. It was Paul ripping his nightgown to pieces. In a moment he appeared, disheveled, aflame with anger and a 32-calibre revolver in his right hand.

With a curse he caught his wife by the wrist, and swung her round, with her back toward him. She screamed and sprang forward so as to be between her maniacal husband and the boy. "Paul fired," the bullet penetrating her left arm and going into her lung.

"Run, Leslie," she screamed, and fell to the floor. Standing over her body, Paul shot her again, the second bullet entering her left breast. She called to her boy again to run, and as he said afterwards, he ran as fast as he could down the stairs, and around the corner to the home of Charles M. Lyle, 2002 Grove Avenue.

NEIGHBORS HEARD SCREAMS.

Neighbors heard another shot and a scream of terror. Claude Hooker, who was passing by, ran into the house as he heard the third shot, and called to Paul, "My God, man, look what you've done."

"Yes, and I haven't finished yet," the man shouted, running upstairs to kill himself. There was another shot, and the house became silent.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle and others in their household had heard the shots and cries of terror, and were up when Leslie, barefooted, ran to their door. They did not wait to question him, guessing what had happened. Mrs. Lyle telephoned to the Second Police Station and Mr. Lyle went to the house of death. The front door was closed and locked, having caught as the boy shut it behind him. Within a few minutes Police-men Mattern and Flournoy arrived on the scene. They broke open the door.

Mrs. Paul was crumpled up on the floor, close to the wall, gasping for breath. She died just as they stooped down to examine her. Following the trail of blood on the stairway and on the wall, they went up to the second floor, and there, on his bed, with blood pouring from a hole in his forehead and with the sheets dripping red, they found Paul stark and still. His hands were crossed on his body and in the right hand the pistol was firmly clasped. The officers stated it was the most fearsome sight they had ever seen.

Dr. J. Armistead Welford and Dr. W. T. Oppenheimer were called, but it was only in response to the needs of formality. The man and woman had been dead some time before they arrived.

LEFT LETTER TO FATHER.

Evidently, after the third shot, Mrs. Paul ran downstairs in an effort to escape. The stairway and the wall were covered with blood. But the door was locked and she fell in a heap, breathing her last just as the two officers broke in. Blood was also found in the room where she was shot, and in their bedroom there seemed to be nothing but blood. On a dresser a letter, written in pencil and addressed to Paul's father, was found. It was rambling and incoherent, a wild complaint about not having had his supper in time and about mismanaged domestic affairs. Coroner Taylor glanced at it, and seeing that it contained nothing bearing on the murder and suicide, and was relatively unimportant except as showing the state of the man's mind, handed it over to Lawrence Paul, the dead man's father. The latter had little to say.

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Would Not Injure Colored People Here.

Few people know that the fight to wipe out the colored Knights of Pythias in the several states was also a feature in this state and that organized efforts on the part of some white men were in evidence at the capital of Virginia during the recent session of the legislature of Virginia. Grand Chancellor John Mitchell, Jr. found it necessary to see many influential white citizens about the matter and was highly gratified to note the friendly feeling existing towards the better class of colored people on the part of the white leaders.

At no time was he rebuffed, but was treated with friendly consideration. One of the representatives from Pennsylvania went so far as to say that he would do nothing to injure any of the colored people in that state. As for one of the leading representatives in the Virginia legislature from Richmond, he took an active part in the matter. As a result a bill was so framed and passed as to give the colored Knights of Pythias and similar colored organizations the same protection as has been accorded to the white organizations.

Grand Chancellor Mitchell used the argument that if the white people intended to pass laws to keep the colored people from imitating the white people and copying after them then their career in this country was at an end. The houses we build were copied after those built by white people, the clothes we wear are made after those worn by white people. In fact our churches, schools, banks and every department of civilized endeavor were imitations of those occupied by white people.

This argument had its effect, together with the appeals to the slave-owners and as a result the following bill was passed which protects the white secret organizations as much as the colored secret organizations. Virginia is the only state in the Union that has the subject up that has gone on record in according their colored citizens the same protection and encouragement as white citizens and this has been done with the consent and approval of the white citizens who recognize the fact that the colored race in this state and in the Southland is "a thing apart," so to speak.

HOUSE BILL NO. 152.

A Bill—Making it a misdemeanor for persons to unlawfully use or wear any insignia or button of any association, or society, or trade's union, or any southern cross of honor.

Patron—Mr. Clemens. Reported from Committee on General Laws.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia, That an act approved February twentieth, nineteen hundred and eight, chapter fifty-four of an act of nineteen hundred and eight, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Any person who shall wilfully wear any insignia, or button of any association, society, or trade's union, or who shall use the same to obtain aid, or assistance, within this State, unless he shall be entitled to use or wear the same under the constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations of such association, society, or trade's union, or any person who shall wilfully wear, or use, to obtain assistance, any southern cross of honor, not being entitled to do so under the regulation under which such crosses of honor are given, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, shall be fined not exceeding one hundred (\$100.00) dollars, and in default of payment, committed to jail for a period not exceeding sixty days.

All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Read this bill again and again and get its full meaning and you will be able to appreciate the patriotic spirit existing among the white representatives in this state and the kindly and sympathetic regard that so many of them have for the colored people of this commonwealth.

Motorist Killed Him.

Junius Nelson Traylor, white, 62 years of age, was struck and almost instantly killed at Eighth and Grace Streets by an automobile operated by Thomas S. Andrews, white, who lives at 107 West Main Street. The accident was said to be primarily due to the slippery streets as a result of the heavy rains and the machine skidded and could not be controlled. Mr. Andrews was arrested and placed under \$1,000 bond. The base of the skull of the unfortunate man was fractured and all efforts to save his life were unavailing.

WANTED—A Colored Tailor. Steady employment for reliable man and good wages to right party. ADOLPH WILLIAMS, Third Avenue and Chestnut St., Nagle Bldg., Coatesville, Pa.

COMMUTATION FOR MURDERERS

Governor Gives Life Imprisonment to Negroes that Slew Schultz.

Governor Mann June 5th commuted the death sentence of Calvin Johnson, Eugene Dorsey and Richard Pines, the three negroes who were convicted of the murder of Walter Schultz, the Chicago artist, in Alexandria, to imprisonment for life. Governor Mann bases his action on the fact that the negroes were convicted on the testimony of Henry Smith, a confessed perjurer.

There seems to be no doubt that Smith was the leader of the murder-gang, but the jury found all four guilty and sentenced them to death.

Smith was electrocuted last Friday. The crime was committed in or near Alexandria March 6, 1909.

Judge Mann concludes his statement accompanying the commutation as follows:

"Without the testimony of Smith there could have been no conviction. And yet Smith has since the conviction of Dorsey, Johnson and Pines declared that his testimony against them was false and that they were innocent of the crime of which they were convicted and he went to the chair protesting their innocence and his own."

It is believed by every one connected with the case that Smith was guilty of the murder, but he was a confessed perjurer, and the judge in sentencing him declared that he was a perjurer, and no man being can tell whether he told the truth first or last, and this is the condition which confronts my conscience and involves the lives of three men. If all these facts had been before the jury trying the cases I would have less difficulty in reaching a conclusion, but they were not, and after the most careful thought I am in such a frame of mind that, while I do not think the prisoners entitled to pardon, I do think it just to them, who are poor negroes, or to the Commonwealth which desires to punish those certainly guilty, to permit them to be electrocuted and thus put correction of any mistake which may have been made out of the power of the State if the mystery which now surrounds the murder of Schultz shall ever be cleared up."

The Mechanics' Savings Bank Bldg.

The Mechanics' Savings Bank building is about completed and the finishing touches will be put on this week. The Board of Directors has arranged the opening for Monday, June 27th, 1910. All of the furniture will be in place by that time. Unexpected delays have caused this arrangement. From 9 o'clock on the Monday of the opening week to 12 o'clock at night the public will be admitted. Wednesday evening from 6 o'clock to 12 o'clock of the same week will be the only time that will be reserved and admission will be by card.

The building with all of its appurtenances is admitted to be one of the handsomest in the entire South. The fixtures are superb and the frescoing is one of the special features. The building is five stories, counting the roof garden, and elevator service is furnished to that point. We shall give a minute description of this magnificent structure later.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

Grand Lodge to Meet in Bristol.

The Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, N. A., S. A., E. A. and A. will meet at Bristol, Va. next Tuesday, Grand Chancellor John Mitchell, Jr., will preside. The Grand Court, Order of Calantia will meet at the same time. The First Brigade will go into camp there. Tents were shipped this week. Major Wm. A. Robinson, the camp commander will leave tomorrow morning for the scene of duty and will be ready to receive the Uniform Rank.

Eureka Co., No. 1 and Planet Co., No. 8, have been making arrangements for some time to take the trip. Many of the Pythian Cadets will also go. A special coach will leave Byrd Street Station via N. and W. R. R. for Bristol, Monday morning at 9 o'clock and will arrive in Bristol, Monday night at 10:45 P. M.

The New Street-Car Line.

Work on the new street-car line in this city is progressing rapidly. Much of the trackage has been laid. Fifth Street from Broad Street to Baker Street has been double tracked. Duval Street has also been torn up and a track laid. In some portions of it though a wagon cannot pass when a car is in the same block unless the wagon is driven upon the side-walk. The street is very narrow.

The Twenty-third Annual Conference of Negro Teachers' and School Improvement League of Virginia, Will be Held at Petersburg, Va., June 23-24.

There will be present some of the leading educators of Virginia and North Carolina, including such well-known men as Prof. T. S. Inboden, of Enfield, N. C., and Major R. R. Moten, of Hampton, both of whom are to deliver addresses for the occasion.

The first session, from June 23rd to afternoon of June 24th, opens for business in the chapel of the Va. Normal Inst., at 4 o'clock P. M., June 23rd. During the evening session papers will be read by well-known teachers on the following subjects: What the Local Leagues Can Do, and 'The Duties of Our Country Association', after which will come Prof. Inboden's great message negro education in North Carolina.

The second session, which is to be held in Ebenezer Baptist Church, (city), will open at 8 o'clock P. M., June 24th. At this meeting Prof. J. M. Gandy and Miss Tossie P. F. Whiting, of Petersburg, will read papers, and Major R. R. Moten, of Hampton, will close with an address to the general public.

There will be discussions of all the papers, led by such men as Hon. T. C. Walker, Major W. H. Johnson, Pres. J. H. Johnson, Dr. G. B. Howard, Prof. W. T. B. Williams and E. A. Long, with special music under the directions of Miss Anna L. Lind-Say and Prof. W. A. Rogers.

The work of this organization aims to improve the educational, moral, industrial, and religious life of the Virginia Negroes. First by awakening and stirring to action in the remotest corners of the State the negroes themselves. Second, by doing all in our power to solicit the co-operation of the white people in our behalf. This is a task that must be done; but the teachers and preachers are the logical ones to begin it. So let us have delegates either teachers, preachers, or laymen from every part of the State, from city, county, and hamlet in attendance upon this great meeting of instruction and inspiration at Petersburg, June 23-24. Fellows don't fail to be present.

JAS. T. PHILLIPS, Pres.,
TOSSIE P. F. WHITING, Cor. Sec.

The Business Men's Club.

A Business Men's Club has been organized with Mr. Armistead Walker as President, Mr. J. J. Miller, Vice-President, Mr. Benjamin Ramsey, Secretary, and Dr. P. B. Ramsey, Treasurer. It is reported that they have secured quarters on Clay Street and will open shortly.

Another New Building.

Mr. E. J. Cook is erecting a two-story building near the corner of Third and Marshall Streets. Messrs. Moore and Archer have the contract. Bad weather and a troublesome sewer have handicapped the work there during the past week.

Will Remodel the Building.

Dr. R. E. Jones, assisted by a coterie of ladies is completing arrangements for the repair of the building of the Woman's Training School and Hospital. The structure will be one of artistic beauty when the front is remodelled according to the plans now being drawn.

Attorney J. M. Arter, of Chicago, was in the city this week en route to Memphis, Tenn.

Mr. Thomas Smith has retired from business for the present and his store at the corner of Brook Avenue and Leigh Streets will be rented to a good tenant.

Outing to White City.

The talk of the day is Halley's comet, the talk of the hour is the outing to White City, Monday July 11, 1910. Just think, 10 hours at the sea shore. Train leaves Seventh and Byrd Street Station at 9 A. M. sharp. Returning will leave White City at 11 P. M.

Fare Round Trip \$1.25.

This outing is under the auspices of the Willing Workers Association. Committee—Alpheus Scott, Washington Bolling, Hayes Willis, Samuel H. Green, W. G. Singleton, Robert H. Harrison, Thomas Jackson, Lucius Storr, W. Henry Jones, M. W. Hudson, Secretary.

Chas. A. J. Briggs, Chairman.

Mr. C. A. Robinson Speaks.

Deltaville, Middlesex Co., Va., May 14, 1910.

Dear Mr. Editor: Please allow me space in your paper to express a few thoughts. I have been a subscriber to your paper for thirteen years, and have always found the news interesting and valuable. I have thought numbers of times that I would discontinue my subscription, but I find so much pleasure in trying to search its pages for facts of the day that I am forced to continue. I am now seventy-four years of age and my eyes are rapidly failing, but I cannot give up my dear old friend which brings to me so much comfort.

I said that I am growing old, but I am thankful to say that I am having some happy experiences. The First Baptist Church, at this place, of which I have been a member for forty or more years, is on an upward march. We feel that God is blessing our work under the leadership of our new pastor, Rev. J. A. Martin, who graduated from the Virginia Union University last year.

Our hearts were made to rejoice on the third Sunday in March, at the close of the communion service, sinners being present, when the pastor desired to know if any one would like to have the prayers of the Christians. One man stood who was about thirty-eight years of age, and soon after reaching home he accepted Christ and brought good news to the church that night when he returned. This brother was baptized today and arose from the waters with a new life and made many to rejoice.

We are glad to know that men are now being saved by the preaching of God's word, and they don't have to wait for revivals. We rejoice with the Fifth Street Baptist Church of your city, over a similar happening a few Sunday nights ago. May the Lord continue the blessings.

You will find inclosed (\$2.00) two dollars, which you will please credit to my account for paper.

With best wishes for your success.

Yours very truly,
C. A. ROBINSON.

Richmond PLANET on sale at Mr. Jos. Evans, 2602 Webster Ave., Pittsburg, Pa.

Neelson's Hair Dressing can be secured from the agent, Mr. Joseph Evans, 2602 Webster Avenue, Pittsburg, Pa.

Mrs. Robert Byrd, of Meyersdale, Pa., was in the city last week and called on us in company with Miss Addie Brown, of this city.

The High School of Washington Ward closed last Wednesday with appropriate exercises.

Misses Rebecca L. and Selena Pride, of Lynchburg, Va., are the guests of Miss Lou Arthur Connelly. They will leave Sunday for Hampton, Va. to visit their sister.

The Armstrong High School closed Thursday night at the Auditorium. Music was furnished by chorus of 150 voices.

MUNDIN—PACK.

The marriage of Miss Minnie G. Pack, of Hinton, West Va. to Mr. H. C. Munding, of Richmond, Va., will take place at the residence of the bride, Hinton, West Virginia, Wednesday, June 23, 1910, at 6 P. M. At home Friday, July 1, 1910, from 8 P. M. to 10 P. M., at 1002 North First Street, Richmond, Va. Friends are invited. No cards.

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT

White—Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Turner announce the marriage of their daughter, Fannie Murray, to Mr. Chittman Milton White, Wednesday, June 22, 1910, at 10:30 o'clock A. M. at the Ebenezer Baptist Church. Reception Wednesday, July 6, 1910 from 8:30 to 10:30 P. M. at 14 1-2 West Leigh Street.

Friends and the general public are very cordially invited to be present at both marriage and reception. No cards.

Summer School, Va. Seminary, June 27th to July 31st.

State Examination and Public Schools in Virginia. Tuition for all attendants, \$4.00; Room rent for season, \$1.00. Board at restaurants and in private families at reasonable rates. Strong faculty of experienced teachers. All who took examination last Summer earned State certificates. JAS. R. L. LIGGGS, Pres., Lynchburg, Va.

5TH ST. BAPT. CHURCH.

Located, Cor. 5th and Jackson Sts., RICHMOND, VA.

Weekly News Column.

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The thirtieth anniversary of the Fifth Street Baptist Church is still in progress and will continue throughout this month. Anniversaries are profitable, they refresh the memory, strengthen the intellect and bring about a reunion of friends; such has been the result of our Fifth Street Baptist Church's Anniversary. The clergy, deacons, and laity, have gathered at the Fifth Street Baptist Church and mingled their voices in songs and praises, with one crystallized sentiment in obedience to Divine Precepts. All have joyfully given worship to the Almighty God for His manifold blessings.

On Wednesday, June 8, Rev. R. O. Johnson, B. D., pastor of Moore Street Baptist Church, preached a fine sermon, which was enjoyed by all. The Bachelor of Divinity is an impressive good preacher.

Last Sunday morning, Old Man Elouquent, the model, and first Doctor of Divinity in deed and truth among the colored people of Richmond and vicinity, in the person of the Rev. Dr. A. Binga, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Washington Ward, formerly Manchester, Va., preached an extraordinary fine sermon at the Fifth Street Baptist Church. Text, 2 Cor. 3:3. Subject, "Christ's Letters." The Doctor gave the lessons of great worth. This sermon was indeed the finest of the fine. Among modern day Christians we can point to Dr. A. Binga, as one whom God has blessed, because, probably, of his worthy life of emulation he has lived.

Brethren, behold him and think. His voice is sound and not cracked, nor is his natural force seemingly abated. About two months ago we saw him alight from a car at Twelfth and Broad Streets with the agility of a young man of twenty-one. Last Sunday night Rev. Dr. W. T. Anthony, pastor of Zion Baptist Church, Washington Ward, formerly Manchester, Va., preached an extra good sermon. Subject, "The Progressive Glory of the Church." The Doctor carried his audience as it were by storm. It was indeed a touching sermon. The congregation got happy, some fell out in giving praise. He is one of the few preachers who can always get into the hearts of his hearers and make them feel strongly the sweetness and benefits of Christianity.

On next Sunday morning our beloved pastor, Rev. Dr. W. F. Graham will preach. Dr. W. F. Graham came to Richmond June, 1892. We called him from the great Loyal Street Baptist Church of Danville, of which the popular Dr. A. A. Galvin is now pastor. When Dr. Graham took charge of our church we had been without a pastor for more than twelve months. The church forces were scattered and there was a debt of more than \$11,000.00, which added very much to the discomfort of the membership. The new pastor however, took hold with a willing hand and found a ready response on the part of the



FIFTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH.

Exercises will be held there all of this month in celebration of the 30th Anniversary of the Church.

membership. The congregations grew and working forces were inspired. Some of the greatest revivals in the history of Richmond were conducted by the Pastor, the largest number being received in the Spring of 1894, when under his own leadership the pastor and the church saw 433 converts in one revival. Of this number the pastor baptized 325. More than 1500 members have joined the church by baptism. The debt of the church was paid off and a great mortgage burning was had.

The church had become national in its influence under Dr. Graham's leadership. In 1909 the great National Baptist Convention was entertained by this church free of cost, and notwithstanding the bulk of the work and burden was upon this church, yet the great delegation was cared for handsomely and the church came out \$1.00 ahead of expenses. Under Dr. Graham's leadership \$9,000.00 have been spent in beautifying, repairing and installing a \$700.00 steam heating plant and a grand \$2,000.00 organ. In this rally and anniversary the church is hoping to raise \$2,000.00 and the present indebtedness will then be reduced to about \$3,500.00.

Last Sunday morning and evening the Sunday school of the Fifth Street Baptist Church celebrated its thirtieth anniversary. Supt. Prof. B. H. Peyton, presiding. In the morning after the usual exercise, Deacon Richard Wallace of the Ebenezer Baptist Sunday School, Stanton, Va., made quite an interesting address. At 3:30 o'clock Rev. M. H. Payne, pastor of Mt. Vernon Baptist Church and ex-Superintendent of the school, made an interesting address. The selection by Mr. John Turner was timely, well delivered and interesting, as was also the address by Asst. Supt. R. H. Fautle-roy. The instrumental solo by Miss Annie Brown deserves special mention. It was a rare treat, harmonious and sweet. The quartette sang nicely. Short addresses were delivered by Mr. C. H. Hooper of Second Baptist Sunday School and Mr. W. A. Kyles, of the Moore Street School. A good collection was raised.—E. W.)

LAWN PARTY Special Features Each Night.

A Lawn Party will be given at (Continued on Fourth Page.)



REV. W. F. GRAHAM, D. D., Pastor of Fifth Street Baptist Church. This is the 30th Anniversary of His Advent into the Ministry.